

REMARKS

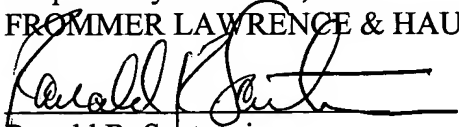
Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's issuance of the Notice of Allowance of July 16, 2004.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of this amendment and allowance of the added claims in light of the remarks made herein.

Claims 83-114 depend upon the allowed claims and round out the scope of protection to which the Applicants are entitled. No new matter is added, and support for the additional claims can be found in original claims 75 and 76 cancelled by the Examiner's Amendment of July 16, 2004.

In addition, entry of this amendment will require no substantial work on the part of the Office, as no additional search is required and no more than a cursory review of the record is necessary.

Thus, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be considered and entered. The undersigned looks forward to hearing favorably from the Examiner at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,
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